

THE LAYMEN'S LEAGUE DEMAND FOR NEW TRUCK

Listen to Inspiring Addresses in St. Paul's Church Parish Hall Last Evening.

The Laymen's League of St. Paul's church, many of whom are members of the Men's Bible class of the Sunday school of that church, assembled in the Parish hall last evening to listen to the address given by their president, Dr. George T. Klipstein, who spoke on "The Creation of Man from a Medical Aspect."

Dr. Klipstein made use of several charts and gave a most interesting and instructive description of the bony, muscular, circulatory, digestive, nervous and respiratory systems of the human body and explained how they performed their functions and made up the perfect man as intended by the Creator. He cited the laws of God as given through his servant Moses and spoke of man's violation of these laws by committing the many sins of which he is guilty, which, through repentance and prayer, God would forgive, but said that the sins committed by the parent would be visited on the children even unto the third and fourth generations. Dr. Klipstein concluded his address with a beautiful description of man as having been made in the image of God and his body as the temple for the indwelling of the Holy Ghost. James R. Caton gave a short but interesting talk on the duty and relation of the laymen to the minister and his work, which he likened to that of Aaron and Hur in upholding the hands of Moses.

Judge Louis C. Barley, next responded to a call and spoke very entertainingly upon the subject of personal service. In the course of his remarks he stated that in his opinion man would be held more responsible for his sins of omission than for those of commission, and that he would not have brought his brother to the knowledge of Christ and through him the redemption of sin.

A buffet luncheon was served at the conclusion of the address and a pleasant social hour enjoyed by all in attendance.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Mrs. M. H. Maury, sister of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at Roanoke. She had been in her ordinarily good health and no threat of danger had been in evidence.

An hour after arriving in Baltimore yesterday, summoned to the deathbed of his mother, Vincent Russo, of Petersburg, Va., received a telegram telling of the death of his mother-in-law in Petersburg.

Richard Evelyn Byrd has withdrawn from the race for appointment to the bench of the Virginia supreme Court of Appeals to succeed Justice George M. Harrison, resigned. Mr. Byrd in a letter to Governor Stuart asks that Professor Martin P. Burks, of Washington and Lee University, be named.

Manassas was the driest town in Virginia Sunday. The effect of the "bone-dry" amendment was forgotten when the engine at the municipal powerhouse went on strike without warning and the thirsty population was deprived of its supply of water for several hours.

Dr. Lyon Gardner Tyler, since 1888 president of William and Mary College, may relinquish the presidency of that famous old institution of learning in September, 1918. The retirement is expected to take place under a resolution approved by the board of visitors at a meeting two years ago, and introduced by Dr. Tyler himself.

Harry O. White, 42 years old, who told the Washington police he conducts a theatrical agency at 910 F street northwest, was yesterday arrested on a warrant charging assault on three young and pretty would-be actresses. It is charged that White induced girls to call at his "theatrical booking agency" by means of want ads, and then unfolded alluring tales of the advantages of a dancing girl's life at Hopewell, the Virginia boom town.

But for timely aid on the part of a younger sister, who showed presence of mind, Jesse, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Roberts, of Lynchburg, might have been burned to death in his home on Sunday after-

Members of Committees of the City Council Discuss Advisability of Recommending Purchase.

Members of the fire committee of the City Council at a meeting last night discussed with members of the finance committee of that body the advisability of recommending to the city council the purchase of a new truck to take the place of the present Relief hook and ladder truck. As has been stated in Council the apparatus now in use is declared very much dilapidated and has outlived its usefulness after being in service about a third of a century. Should a new one be purchased it is stated that it will be a motor vehicle.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the City Council will be held tonight, at which time a report may be submitted on this pressing want. The need of a modern hook and ladder apparatus in case of fires has long been apparent. Such a contrivance is often indispensable, and it is generally conceded if the city must procure this adjunct to our fire department it would be a useless waste of money to purchase one of the old-fashioned makes which would be inviting repairs all the time, as has been the case with the present truck.

The committee on general laws may also submit a report on a resolution introduced by Mr. Harrison in the Board of Aldermen recently looking to the codification of the city laws. Printing all the laws which have been adopted by Council during the past two-score or more years together with those previously enacted would fill a book probably as large as a Bible, but, as was suggested to a representative of the Gazette by a conservative city official recently, it would be unnecessary to embrace all the special ordinances. Only those which provide penalties for their infraction would be necessary, and such could be embraced in a book not much larger than the code of 1874.

It is generally hoped that this measure will be pushed through as soon as possible, as at present the laws of the city are in fragments and difficult to find at times.

noon. It is thought the child struck a match while his parents were away from the house, and in that manner caused his clothing to ignite. He was burned seriously on the chest, head and neck. When the sister, who is younger than the boy, saw his plight, she secured a bucket of water and threw it upon him, quenching the fire sufficiently to hold it in check until other relief arrived.

Standing side by side in the darkness, where they had stolen away to be alone, Mrs. R. C. Kelley, aged 27, of Ashboro, N. C., and Mrs. Roberta L. Russell, aged 43, of Weldon, N. C., both inmates of Westbrook sanitarium, Richmond, committed suicide last night in front of Bryan Park. Mrs. Kelley shot herself through the right temple, and her companion followed soon after her. The former was taken to the Johnston-Willis hospital, where it was said there were no hopes for her recovery. Mrs. Russell was dead when found. The only motive known for the double suicide was the shattered physical condition of the women.

DEATH OF CAPT. TURNER

Deceased For Many Years Was in Command of River and Bay Crafts. Capt. Joseph W. Turner, one of the best-known mariners on the Potomac and the Chesapeake, is dead at his home, 466 G street, southwest, Washington. He had been ill three months. The end came Sunday night. Capt. Turner, in command of a tug, rescued the men on the disabled Curtis hydroaeroplane when it fell into the Potomac near Alexandria last year.

Capt. Turner was 59 years old, and for many years had been in command of craft owned by the John Miller Company.

Death of W. B. Daingerfield. William B. Daingerfield, son of the late John B. Daingerfield, died in Washington yesterday. The deceased was in the 72d year of his age. The interment will be in Alexandria.

The regular meeting of Martha Washington Chapter, No. 42, O. E. S., will be held tonight (Tuesday), February 27th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

The Willard W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock, in Trinity M. E. Church.

Mrs. Richard Gibson, of Rosemont, is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Howard, at their home in Fredericksburg.

Mrs. Braxton Smith is giving an exhibition of hand-painted china in the store building 530 King street. Mrs. Smith is an experienced artist in that line and some of the specimens of her handiwork are particularly attractive.

Judge Edmund Waddill is presiding at the term of the United States District court for the eastern district of Virginia, which opened in this city today, at which the suit of H. B. Hutchinson against the New York and Pennsylvania Company is to be heard. The action is to recover damages for an alleged breach of contract on 4,800 acres of timber land. Judge C. E. Nicol and Samuel G. Brent, of this city, are the local attorneys in the case.

Thunder was heard towards the close of yesterday, following cloudy conditions and a mild temperature. Early in the night the heavens became clear and the stars were shining, while a stiff wind was prevailing from the southwest. Conditions were cloudy and threatening at an early hour this morning, and rain followed. The wind in the meantime had changed to the northwest, with indications of colder weather. The sound of thunder towards the close of February or the beginning of March is regarded as a harbinger of the approaching fishing season as well as the awakening of the snakes. But meteorological conditions will be uncertain until after the vernal equinox, March 21.

The District Young People's rally which convened in the Methodist Protestant church last night attracted a large audience. Nearly a hundred members of the union came over from Washington to attend. The North Carolina Avenue Methodist Protestant church of that city carried off both the banners for having the largest attendance of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor members. The church in which the rally is held is not permitted to compete for the banners. Rev. Bryan, pastor of the North Carolina Avenue Methodist church was the speaker for the evening. At the conclusion of the service a social hour was enjoyed in the lecture room, where musical numbers were rendered and refreshments were served by the Christian Endeavor society.

VAMPIRE CAT AWAKES HIM.

Sleeper Finds Supposed Mythical Feline Sucking His Breath.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 27.—Vampire cats that suck that breath from humans are no myth to L. B. Stuart-Evart, No. 729 Madison street. He had a narrow escape from one just before daylight, while asleep in a second-story room with the windows open. Apparently the cat gained his room by climbing up awning poles.

Stuart-Evart was aroused just before daylight, feeling strangely uncomfortable, but went to sleep again. "Finally I became wide awake," Stuart-Evart says, "with the strangest feeling I have ever experienced in all my life. It seemed as if something was drawing the very life out of me through my throat. I tried to draw a long breath and couldn't. There appeared to be something over my mouth and nostrils. Besides, I felt strangely weak, so weak that I remained quite still for a space, just barely breathing and wondering what I was going to do. Then I pulled myself together for an effort to find out what was wrong and looking down on my chest I saw there a great Maltese cat. There was just enough light in the room for me to distinguish it. And the thing had its mouth right up against mine."

Stuart-Evart admits he was badly frightened and, exerting what little strength the cat had left him, he grabbed it by the back of the neck and threw it through the open window. It is now at large somewhere in the city.

Stuart-Evart said he then dropped back upon the bed to recover his strength and nerve.

A number of the progressive farmers from this section of the state are arranging to attend the Virginia Creamerymen's Association which meets in Roanoke on Thursday and Friday next.

It is announced today that the session of the State Teachers' Association which it was reported would be held in this city on March 16th and 17th, will be held in Orange, Va., at that time instead of Alexandria.

In the corporation court yesterday the suit of Emma Lynch against Agnes Lynch a decree was entered confirming the report of H. Noel Garner, special commissioner of sale, for the sale of the house at 1107 Queen street, to C. M. Schwab.

The Union Lenten service of the Episcopal Church will be held at 8 o'clock tonight, in Christ Church. The visiting minister will be the Rev. C. R. Stetson, of St. Mark's Church, Washington. An evening prayer service and address will be in Christ Church, at 5 o'clock this afternoon, and tomorrow evening at 7:30, a service and lecture. In Grace Church, evening prayer and address will be at 7:30, tomorrow. Services will be held in St. Paul's Church at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting of Clan Mackay of the Second Presbyterian Church, held at the Westminster building last night, was well attended and greatly enjoyed by all present. Around a somber black and white table, at which the members first assembled, there was enacted a little allegorical sketch planned by Miss Alice Whitton and carried out by Miss Marion Negley, representing the "Spirit of the Clan," Miss Anne G. Black, as "Objection," Miss Flossie Garner, as "Finance," Miss Edith Whitton as "Responsibility," Miss Alice Whitton, as "Attendance," and Miss Elena Norris, as "Result," which was voted a great success by all who heard it. The members then progressed to a second table representing the Clan "as it should be." At this table ablaze with light and color, and profusely decorated with roses and sweet peas, a delightful fruit salad was served, after which the election of officers took place and the following were elected to serve for one year: Miss Alice Whitton, President; Miss Alice Gronau, Vice President; Miss Margaret Howard, Secretary, and Miss Caroline West, Treasurer. The next meeting, which will be held the last Monday in March, under the direction of Miss Virginia Paff, promises to be of great interest, and all members are urged to keep it in mind.

YIELD UP CHEST TO SWEDEN.

British to Send Mystery Trunk on Bernstorff Ship to Stockholm.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—What threatened to become an issue between Sweden and Great Britain has been adjusted through the undertaking of the British authorities at Halifax, at the suggestion of the British Embassy here, to forward on a British steamer the chest of mail matter addressed to the Swedish Government found on the Danish steamship Frederick VIII, on which Count Bernstorff is a passenger.

The Danish Legation sent four bags of mail on the Frederick VIII and the State Department more than 50, the British Embassy being duly notified. The Swedish Legation, without giving such notice, sent an army chest in the custody of a merchant.

The chest was sent as ordinary baggage and the seals were broken, it is said, between Washington and New York. In the latter city the matter was revealed, but only with the seal of the Swedish Consul General, which does not carry immunity from search.

At Halifax the chest was removed by the inspecting officers. The Swedish delegation here protested, but the British Embassy contended that precedents established by the United States during the civil war confirmed the right to search and detain consular mail. It finally was agreed that the chest should be sent by a British ship to the Swedish Minister in London, who would be expected to examine its contents and guarantee their neutrality before forwarding it to Stockholm.

The Woman's missionary society, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Allison W. C. T. U. will hold its regular meeting tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 in the Children's Home. All members are urged to be present.

Miss Margaret Roberts has returned to her home in Culpeper after a visit to her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Nalle, at their home on Brad-dock Heights.

It is expected that the Old Dominion Glass Company will open its Belle Pre glass factory tomorrow, giving employment to about 175 men and boys.

The friends of Mrs. Samuel S. Sipple will be glad to know that she is able to be out again after having been confined to her home for several weeks with a severe attack of grippe.

Miss Laura V. Haynes, and Mr. Joseph L. Reynolds were married at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the manse of the Second Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, pastor of the church.

At the stated communication of Andrew Jackson Lodge, No. 120, A. F. and A. M., on Thursday evening of this week, Past Master D. W. Thayer, of King Solomon lodge of Washington will deliver an address on "Masonry Abroad." Mr. George W. Zachery will also deliver his lecture on the George Washington relics. The entertainment committee has also arranged other features for this communication which will add much toward making the evening one of exceptional pleasure to all master masons.

A "Musical Tea," will be given tonight at 9 o'clock at the home of Mrs. T. Clinton Howard, 207 south Washington street, for the benefit of the night school teachers fund, under the auspices of the Parents-Teachers Association. Among the numbers on the program will be a reading by Mr. Frank Steele; vocal solo by Mrs. Robert Forsyth Downham; a recitation by Miss Dorothy Burket; an instrumental solo by Mrs. Edgar Carpenter and selections by the Seminary Glee Club. The series of teas being given on Tuesday evening by members of the night school committee are most enjoyable and the silver offerings are used to help pay the salaries of teachers at this school. The attendance last night was over forty and it is the earnest desire of the association to keep the school open until the late spring.

News of the Day.

Closing 26 kosher slaughtering houses and strict observance of the food boycott by grocers in New York yesterday did not prevent rioting with stones, garbage and ash cans as weapons. A rabbi who preached against the boycott was mobbed in his synagogue while one detective held the crowd at his revolver's point until police arrived. Food markets were demoralized.

Federal and District employees won their greatest victory—one that brings them within sight of the promised goal—when the Senate last night voted, 33 to 22, to recede from their disagreement with the House and accept the five and ten per cent. grades increases of the lower branch. Senators Martin and Swanson, of Virginia, voted against acceptance of the conference committee's report.

Notice

Martha Washington Chapter, No. 42, O. E. S., will hold a reception for Grand Master Henry K. Field, in the lodge room, on Wednesday, February 28, 1917, at 8 o'clock, p. m. Every Mason in Alexandria is invited to be present to join with us in doing honor to the Grand Master. This is a personal invitation. We want every Mason present.

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SMITH ENDS CAMPAIGN TANHAUSER CAN BE SOLD

Evangelist Leaves Washington For His Home in Bridgeport, Conn., Carrying Away about \$3,000.

Gypsy Smith, Jr., brought to a close his evangelistic campaign in Washington last night and left on a midnight train for his home in Connecticut.

He took back with him about \$2,800 free-will offerings taken up at the services Sunday and yesterday in appreciation of his four weeks of preaching here.

The exact amount of these offerings will not be made public, at the evangelist's request. But \$1,800 was collected Sunday and about \$1,000 last night. A few contributions coming in by mail may swell the total to \$3,000. In previous meetings the collections amounted to more than enough to pay all expenses of building the tabernacle, which cost about \$3,500, so that, at the wind-up last night, the campaign stood as a success not only from the angle of religious endeavor and accomplishment but in a financial way.

The tangible result of the meetings was 824 converts, mostly church members. But the most active supporters of the evangelist believe that the good accomplished by the meetings is immeasurable.

At the meeting last night the evangelist told the story of the conversion of his grandfather and father, both pure "Gypsies," and how he himself was led to take up preaching.

Number of Alexandrians attended the meetings in Washington during the past month. Gypsy Smith is expected to begin evangelistic services in Manassas next May, which many of our people will, at times, doubtless attend. Shortly after the close of the meetings in this city in the early part of last October a special train carried a large number of Alexandrians to Charlottesville where Mr. Smith was conducting meetings.

SINKING OF LACONIA

Giant Cunarder Sent to Bottom Without Warning By German Submarine Sunday Night.

Queenstown, Feb. 27.—Two American women, said to be Mrs. Mary B. Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, lost their lives when the Laconia was sunk, according to survivors who landed here early yesterday morning. A steamer brought in 267 survivors who were picked up from eight boats.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The Hoys resided here until Dr. Hoy went to London to practice. Mrs. Hoy formerly was Miss Mary E. Young, of Chicago.

London, Feb. 27.—The Cunarder Laconia, carrying 27 Americans—seven passengers and 20 among the crew—was sunk without warning by a German submarine off the Irish coast Sunday night.

The Laconia, an 18,099-ton vessel, is the largest single victim of unrestricted submarine warfare since its inaugural February 1st.

She was en route from New York for Liverpool, having left New York February 18. She carried five thousand sacks of United States mail.

Her cargo was of inestimable importance to Great Britain just now. It was entirely consigned to the British government. Included in it were 40,000 bushels of wheat, 2,000 cases of brass rifle cartridges unloaded, 2,843 bales of cotton, 1,408 cases of fur, 1,000 bars of silver, and 900 tons of staple provisions.

The Laconia was equipped with one gun aft, the regulation 4.7 piece, mounted on all Cunard liners.

She was manned by British officers and a British crew.

Her captain is W. D. R. Irvine. The attack took place at 10 o'clock Sunday night.

Only meager advices have been permitted to come through by the British admiralty, but it is known that one life was lost. Whether this was an American or not is not known. Liverpool, Feb. 27.—The Cunard Company announces that there is reason to believe that virtually all on board the steamer Laconia were saved. There were between 200 and 230 members of the crew and from 70 to 80 passengers, of whom about one-half were in the first cabin.

Spring Opening Display—Millinery, On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 1st, 2d and 3d. Mrs. J. Hayes, 215 King street, Alexandria. 49-31.

Commissioner Peters, Defeated by Richmond Jury in His Case Against Kansas City Company.

Tanhauser, a beverage manufactured by the Royal Brewing Company, of Kansas City, may be sold in Virginia without violating the prohibition act, according to a verdict rendered last night by a jury in the Hastings Court. The case, was that of W. C. Herbert, local distributor of the drink, who was indicted for selling it after it had been ordered off the market by Commissioner of Prohibition Peters. He was adjudged not guilty by the jury.

The outcome of the trial is a defeat for Commissioner Peters in his fight to drive from the State certain so-called soft drinks, which had been described by State chemists as malt liquors.

Though a criminal proceeding, counsel for the prosecution moved that the verdict be set aside. The motion was promptly overruled by Judge D. C. Richardson. This motion was made because it is the intention of the Commonwealth to appeal the case to the Supreme Court of Appeals, if such action is not in violation of the State Constitution. The proceeding is regarded in legal circles as unusual, but it is claimed to be provided for in section 45 of the Prohibition Act, which gives the State the right of appeal in certain cases.

The trial started on Friday, and instructions were not given to the jury until yesterday morning. The court instructed as follows: "That under the law, the term 'ardent spirits' includes all malt liquors."

That the term malt liquors, as used in the statute and in these instructions, means any liquid beverage or drink containing malt; to any appreciable extent.

"That the jury must disregard all of the statements of the witness, Dr. Cross, which were based in whole or in part upon the statements made to him by other persons on the occasion of his visit to the plant of the Royal Brewing Company."

"That the question for the jury to determine in this case is whether or not the liquor analyzed by Dr. Bradbury and described in his certificate was a malt liquor, and if the jury believe from the evidence, beyond all reasonable doubt, that such liquor was a malt liquor, as above defined, and that it was sold by the accused, that it will be the duty of the jury to find the accused guilty as charged in the indictment."

SINKING OF SUBMARINE

Portuguese Torpedoboot Attacks German Destroyer, at Cape Verde Islands.

Boston, Feb. 27.—The sinking of a German submarine in the harbor of St. Vincent, Cape de Verde Islands, by two Portuguese torpedoboots on the night of January 1, was described here by Arthur J. Jeffa, of New York, formerly third engineer on the British steamer Eddie, who claims to have witnessed the attack. Jeffa arrived yesterday on the Norwegian steamer Fakernes, which stopped at the islands on its way from Calcutta. He said the submarine was attempting to cut the cable to England when it was attacked by torpedoboots and sunk by shellfire.

One shot apparently pierced the submarine's hull, Jeffa said, and prevented her from submerging. The undersea craft then circled the Eddie several times, maneuvering for an opportunity to launch a torpedo, but the two torpedoboots finally caught the submarine between them. They opened up with their rapid fire and the U-boat, with her hull riddled, sank suddenly.

Mrs. Frank B. Warwick, of Rosemont, received the news this morning of the death of her mother, Mrs. Gray, of Ironton, Ohio, while visiting a son in Texas. Mrs. Warwick left this afternoon for Ironton to attend the funeral.

When in Washington and hungry, stop at Schneider's Restaurant 12th street opposite Raleigh.

WHOLESALE—Oysters, Clams and Crabs, J. BRILL, No. 2 King St. See Liston, at Blondheim's old stand, City Market, for meats, Auth's Provisions, etc.



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SEA SERPENTS OF TODAY

In the early days of navigation, that is when venturesome men sailed out of sight of the Pillars of Hercules (Gibraltar) the belief in sea serpents was common. Ancient prints represent these monsters as rising suddenly from the realms of Neptune and protruding their hideous heads on board a ship would swallow several men at a time. No one at present believes in mermaids, but there never has been a time when it could be said faith in sea serpents had entirely vanished.

While such monsters undoubtedly existed in prehistoric times, as is shown by skeletons of the aquatic creation which are occasionally found and mounted in museums, something in the shape of sea monsters, far more terrible than the mythical ones of antiquity, are loose on the ocean today and multiplying all the time. This modern horror is not the handiwork of the Creator, however, but the invention of an American, of the land of peace and prosperity. They are the scourge of the high seas, untamable and difficult of capture or destruction.

One of these horrors of civilization suddenly bobbed up off the Irish coast last Sunday night and, without warning, made a thrust at the side of the huge Cunarder Laconia, more deadly than that of a swordfish, and in a few minutes one of the largest and most luxuriously equipped passenger ships in the world turned upon its side and finally settled upon the ocean's floor, leaving its hundreds of passengers and crew in open boats 50 miles from the Irish coast or floundering in the ocean in mid-winter.

It is reported that no one was lost, and, if this be a fact, a miracle must have been wrought by the All-Seeing One who in antediluvian days said, "My spirit shall not always strive with man."

The German submarine commander is no respecter of persons. As was the case nearly two years ago, when a giant Cunarder was sunk a short distance east of the scene of last Sunday night's horror, when about twelve hundred human beings, including women and children were engulfed in the yawning waters of St. George's Channel, men, women and children, of the Laconia had to shift for themselves. The cruel sea serpent was unconcerned as to who sank or who swam. The Laconia was flying the British flag; that was enough.

The action of President Wilson in appealing to Congress yesterday to empower him to take immediate steps to protect the lives of Americans on the high seas was opportune. The time has come when the free use of the ocean is challenged by a nation which plainly asserts that it has no regard for the rights of others, and the commerce of the neutral world is commanded to tie up until Teutonic war lords conclude to bring to a close a reign of terror unprecedented in the world's history.

The wanton destruction of Norwegian, Danish and Dutch ships is going on all the time. The only answer to the protests of these smaller nations from the bully of the deep is that it is "it is unfortunate."

The German tide has long since reached its flood and is slowly receding. The invading hordes in northern France have been thrown back miles, the allies gaining as great a victory over their enemies as was achieved at the battle of the Marne. The Germans are losing their morale, finding to their sorrow that other nations will fight, although their leaders obsessed them with the delusion that nothing could stand before German arms.

The submarine problem is destined to failure as has been German land movements. The beast is now at bay and the end of its career is but a matter of time.

UNNECESSARY ALARM.

The Gazette stated yesterday that from all that can be learned there is no real necessity for the disorders

which have occurred in the larger cities of this country over the food supply. A trade journal received in Alexandria yesterday by one of our merchants states that there are two million bushels of potatoes in Maine, mostly in the hands of farmers and growers, and that the reason alleged for their non-shipment to the market is that given by the railroad companies that they are suffering from a shortage of coal.

We said yesterday that the rioting in New York and other places is being carried on by a certain element who are watching for opportunities to bring on upheavals upon any issue, and it would be safe to say that many of those engaged in tumults over food and who cry for bread have the staff of life in their homes at the present time.

The circular referred to above states what has not, so far, appeared in the newspapers. Acid and coal oil were cast upon bread in some places in New York by men and women who seemed to have been bent upon rioting even if the market had been overstocked with the necessities of life.

It has been shown that the sugar scare was entirely unnecessary. In our own city there are potatoes enough to meet all ordinary demands.

These alarms are started and fanned by some newspapers, the publishers of which are ready to print anything calculated to cause a sensation.

We live in a country of free speech and unbridled press, but we sometimes think it would be well were there censors over much we see in papers. In this connection it might also be suggested that ministers of the gospel who give words of encouragement to disorder might have their utterances revised.

EGGING ON RIOTERS

Riots and bloodshed before the White House and Capitol, with starving women and children crying to the President and Congress for bread, was the prediction made by Rev. D. H. Martin, pastor of the Dumbarton M. E. church, in a sermon Sunday night, in which he declared that the extortion of food speculators would justify extreme measures by the general public to force the government to remedy the high cost of living. Among other things he said:

"If Congress does not move the freight cars, the people will start them with dynamite. If Congress does not put food on the markets, the people with their own hands, will open the cold storage plants. And they would be justified in taking these extreme measures."

We fail to see how any minister of the gospel can aid or abet disorder in any way without disregarding his high calling. Mr. Martin should know that disturbers of the peace have been ears and are ever ready to act upon the advice of those who pose as leaders of the people, whether politically or otherwise. It is not the preacher's place to counsel or approve of disorder in any way, but as Paul told Timothy, pray for those in authority. If his sympathies are with those who are disorderly and fighting the authorities, he is not carrying out the injunction.

Ministers should act as coadjutors with officials in preserving the peace and vying in bringing about legislation which will be for the benefit of all, which we believe, will soon follow the present unsatisfactory conditions in the United States. In the meantime no sympathy should be expressed for outlawry, but all should await a time with patience until the situation shall have been relieved, to which end the government is now working.

Ambassador Willard at Madrid cabled yesterday that the Spanish Foreign Office had notified him that 72 American sailors taken on the prize ship Yarrowdale into Germany had been released by Germany on February 16.

Sealed Proposals addressed to Mr. J. B. Fitzgerald, chairman of Committee on Light, for the erection of a Brick Building at the City Gas Works, will be received at the office of the Clerk of Gas until 12 o'clock, noon, on March 3rd, 1917. Drawings and specifications can be seen at the office of the Clerk of Gas, Room 5 and 6, City Hall.

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John Ward, awaiting trial for the killing of Louis Hooker, of Fishersville, Tenn., last September, was shot and killed at the courthouse yesterday by Thomas Hooker, brother of Louis Hooker. Hooker surrendered. He declined to make a statement.

Anthony Metto, a Russian, went suddenly insane yesterday in Chester, Pa., and when a squad of police, attempted to arrest him following an attack made upon his brother Joseph.

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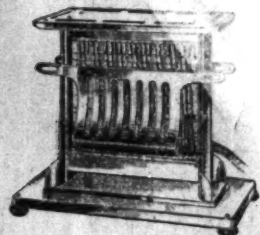
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CHAIRMAN FLOOD'S BILL

Virginia Representative Introduces Measure to Afford Protection to American Ships.

Washington, Feb. 27.—After conferences with Democratic and Republican leaders, Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, introduced late yesterday a bill authorizing the President to arm merchant ships and use "such other instrumentalities as necessary" to protect them on the high seas and providing for a special bond issue of \$100,000,000.

The bill was referred to the committee, which met this morning to consider it. At the same time the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will consider the President's tentative draft of a similar measure, submitted by Chairman Stone.

New York, Feb. 27.—If President Wilson is authorized by Congress to arm ships to protect American merchantmen on the high seas, the American Line steamships tied up here will resume sailings as soon as guns can be provided, it is stated by the line's officials here.

The St. Louis, St. Paul, Philadelphia, New York and Kroonland are at their New York docks, the line having declined to send them out until the government furnished armament as defense against attack in the German submarine zone. The Finland, of the same line, is on her way from Europe to this port.

All the ships are passenger vessels, but the Kroonland is to be turned into a freighter.

It was stated also that the vessels would sail unarmed if conveyed by American warships.

"Any method which will safeguard the lives of the passengers and crews will be satisfactory to us," an official of the American Line said.

LAPLAND AT LIVERPOOL.

White Star Line Safe in English Port—Left New York on February 14.

New York, Feb. 27.—The British steamship Lapland, of the White Star Line, arrived safely at Liverpool Sunday afternoon, according to cable advices received today by the agents here. Carrying 91 passengers, of whom 22 are Americans, the Lapland left New York on February 11.

The French Line steamship Espagne arrived safely at Bordeaux on Friday at 6 p. m., according to a cablegram received at the line's offices here. The Espagne left New York, on February 14, with 114 passengers, including 67 Americans.

The Anchor Line steamship Tuscania, which sailed from New York February 16, with 18 passengers, including four Americans, has arrived safely in Glasgow.

Engineer William E. Horner, of Bristol, was killed yesterday afternoon when a freight engine on the Southern Railway left the track and turned over near Johnson City, Tenn.

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BRITISH MAKE GREAT GAIN

Sir Douglas Haig's Men Now Have Bapaume Almost Within Their Grasp.

London, Feb. 27.—The greatest gain of territory since the battle of the Marne, with its terrible sacrifices of troops, has just been achieved by the British—and with practically no losses. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's men now have Bapaume almost within their grasp. The troops of the Crown Prince Rupprecht have abandoned a section of territory of probably six square miles extent.

Retirement by the Germans from Bapaume, an important strategic point, is now predicted. For two years British troops have pounded unceasingly toward this position.

The German retirement forms one of the most interesting phases of the great war. The Germans gave the first intimation of the near approach

of their retreat when they evacuated Grandcourt three weeks ago. This was evidence of new German tactics, for throughout all the bitter fighting of 1916, they never yielded an inch until driven out at the point of the bayonet.

The backward movement inaugurated at Grandcourt now becomes the greatest retreat on this front since the battle of the Marne. The events of the last two days have sent a thrill through the entire British army, a thrill which seems to forecast the end of the "stationary" warfare.

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AUCTION SALES

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PLANT AND PROPERTY OF NEW WASHINGTON BRICK COMPANY.

By virtue of decrees of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, rendered on the 10th day of July, 1915, and on the 24th day of January, 1917, in the Chancery cause therein pending between Enoch L. White, who sues etc., complainant, vs. the New Washington Brick Company, et als, defendants, the undersigned, who by said decree of July 10, 1915, were appointed Special Commissioners for the purpose, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, on the premises of the New Washington Brick Company, situated in the County of Alexandria, State of Virginia, and described as follows, to wit:

All that piece or parcel of land and premises called and known as "Abington," being described as follows according to survey thereof made by A. N. Hurdle, Surveyor, in January 1886, namely: Beginning at a stone supposed to be at low water mark on the Potomac River and in the division line between "Abington" and "Summer Hill," owned by George T. Raub, running thence west with said line 225 poles to a point on the east side of the Alexandria-Washington Turnpike; thence along the east side of said Turnpike, North 17 1/2 degrees East 90 poles to lot water mark on the west side of Potomac River; thence along the meanders of said River to the beginning; containing 216 acres, 3 rods, and 10 poles, together with all the improvements, ways, easements, rights, privileges, appurtenances and hereditaments to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining.

And also, the plant for the manufacture of brick on the above described premises, with the machinery, fixtures, appurtenances and personal property to the said plant belonging, and used in and about the operation and conduct of the same.

Excepting, however, that portion of the said tract of land which by deed dated July 25, 1904, and recorded in Deed Book 110, page 335 of the land records of Alexandria County, was conveyed by the New Washington Brick Company and the American Security and Trust Company, of the District of Columbia, Trustees, to the Washington Southern Railway Company, described as follows: to-wit: Beginning at station 1372, 45.1, where the center line of the new alignment of the Washington Southern Railway intersects the line dividing the land of the New Washington Brick Company and Henry Norton; thence in a northeasterly direction by a strip 450 feet wide, being 75 feet on each side of the said new center line, to "station" 1373, 50; thence northeasterly by a strip 400 feet wide, being 95 feet on each side of the said new center line, to "station" 1385; thence northeasterly by a strip 150 feet wide, being 75 feet on

each side of the said new center line, 1723.3 feet, more or less, to the line dividing the land of the New Washington Brick Company and Jackson Phillips Brick Company, containing 40.852 acres, more or less, according to a plat of survey made by C. W. Haines, Chief Engineer, attached to and made a part of said deed; and excepting any manufactured brick now being upon the premises above described. And subject to the right of way for a sewer of 10 feet wide and containing two one-hundredth parts of an acre, across the southwest corner of the property above described, held by Henry C. Morris, with the right of the owners of the said tract of land and their successors, to tap and to use the said sewer at any time.

Terms of Sale:—\$24,000.00 in cash, of which cash payment \$4,000 is to be paid on the day of sale by the successful bidder when the property is struck off to such bidder, and the residue of the cash payment, \$20,000, is to be paid two weeks from the day of sale; and the residue of the purchase money shall be payable in

four equal installments at six, twelve, eighteen and twenty-four months from the day of sale. The deferred payments of the purchase money to be evidenced by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers thereof, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from the day of sale until paid, and the title to be retained until the purchase price is paid in full with the accrued interest thereon. The purchaser or purchasers of the said property will be permitted to pay all cash if they so desire.

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I, Nevell S. Greenaway, Clerk of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, do certify that Gardner L. Boothe, one of the Commissioners above named, has executed bond with approved security, as required by decree rendered in the above entitled cause on the 10th day of July, 1915. 45-44.
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APPEALS TO CONGRESS

Material Points in President Wilson's Statement to Congress Yesterday Afternoon.

I am not now proposing or contemplating war or any steps that need lead to war.

War can only come by the willful acts and aggressions of others.

I must ask for your supporting authority in the most general terms.

We must defend our commerce and the lives of our people with discretion, but with clear and steadfast purpose.

I request that you will authorize me to supply our merchant ships with defensive arms, should that become necessary, and with the means of using them and to employ any other instrumentalities, or methods, that may be necessary and adequate to protect our ships and our people in their legitimate and peaceful pursuits on the seas.

I request also a sufficient credit to enable me to provide adequate means of protection, where they are lacking, including adequate insurance against present war risks.

I feel that I ought to obtain from you full and immediate assurance of the authority which I may need at any moment to exercise. No doubt I already possess that authority without special warrant of law.

Our own commerce is suffering rather in apprehension than in fact, because so many of our ships are timidly keeping to home ports, rather than because American ships have been sunk.

This in itself might presently accomplish, in effect, what the new German submarine orders were meant to accomplish, so far as we are concerned.

The case of the Lyman M. Law disclosed a ruthlessness of method which deserves grave condemnation, but was accompanied by no circumstances which might not have been expected at any time in connection with the use of the submarine against merchantmen as the German government has used it.

There may be no recourse but to armed neutrality, which we shall know how to maintain, and for which there is abundant American precedent.

The English ports of Margate and Broadstairs were shelled by a German destroyer with the loss of two lives, it was announced in the British House of Commons by Sir Edward Carson, first lord of the admiralty yesterday. A woman and a child were killed and two children were wounded.

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Guns and mounts sufficient to arm any reasonable number of American merchant ships are now stored at navy yards, it was stated officially at the Navy Department yesterday following President Wilson's appearance before Congress to ask authority to provide weapons and men should the need arise.

Efficient gunners are lacking, however, unless they are taken from active ships, which can ill spare them.

Naval officers pointed out that men of special skill, trained to the minute, would be required as gun pointers for anti-submarine work. At best, a U-boat is difficult to hit, as there is little exposed. Often a periscope hardly visible at more than a few thousand yards is the gunner's only target.

Recent figures show that 250 ships under American registry are engaged in trans-Atlantic trade, but it is estimated that not more than 100 would apply for guns and take the risk of crossing the German submarine zones. There will be no difficulty in furnishing that number of vessels with weapons, but supplying trained gun pointers for 100 guns would take just that many valuable men away from fighting ships.

There are about 1,000 men in the first reserve, of whom approximately 100 were trained gun pointers when they left the active list. Most of them are older men, however, and none has had any recent practice in gun pointing. It is said that no sufficiently expert pointers to work on merchant craft could be obtained from that source, although some ammunition handlers and other members of gun crews might be obtained. Of the 1,000 reservists, about one-half have been drilled in gun handling other than pointing.

Navy officials construe the President's language as asking for authority wide enough to take any measure necessary to defend American ships.

That might include naval convoys, but the opinion of naval experts is against such a step, both because it could not insure the convoyed ships against submarine attack and also because the efficiency of the fleet as a fighting machine would be seriously impaired if its units were scattered for convoy duty.

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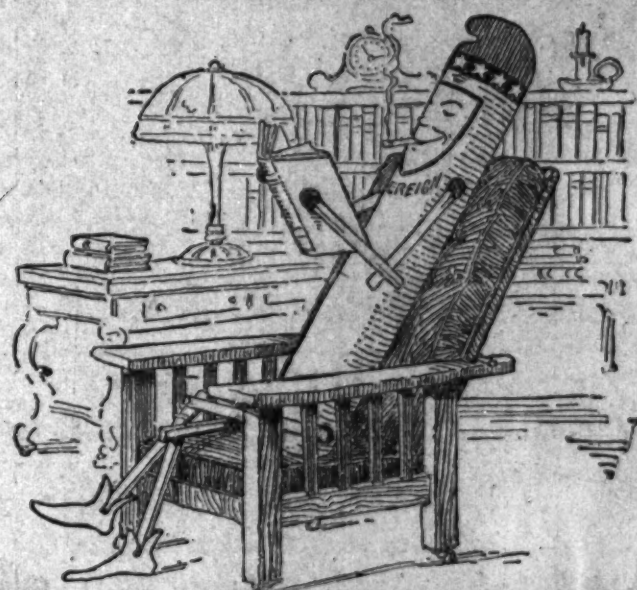
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